

Grenville's chess champs

Rustenburg – Learners at Grenville High School represented Rustenburg at the South African Junior Chess Championships (SAJCC) which was held at Birchwood Hotel & Conference Centre, Boksburg from 4 to 12 January. Besides several scholars receiving colours, Grenville was also awarded the trophy for the Best Chess High School in Rustenburg for 2017 and the trophy for the High School in Rustenburg with the most learners attending the SAJCC 2017. Well played and congratulations!



These learners received colours for attending the SAJCC 2017. Front from left: Ms Moller, William Diphoko, Kamogelo Mokhari, Reatile Bopape, Remy Manale, and Ms Nieuwenhuis. Back from left: Letlhogonolo Makgale, Kganya Mogomotsi, George Khetsi, and Thabang.

Alarming low returns for SA million dollar pigeon race



The National Council of SPCAs (NSPCA) is concerned by the low number of pigeons that have returned to their loft of the South African Million Dollar Pigeon Race (SAM DPR) which took place on Saturday, 3 February. The 2627 pigeons were liberated in the early morning of 3 February in Colesburg and were expected to make their way back to their loft in Sasolburg, but to date, only 1569 pigeons have returned. This means that 40% are still missing. The pigeons used for pigeon racing are bred in captivity and spend their lives in the care of humans making them completely dependent on humans to survive. They are not aware of predators and do not know how to protect themselves from the elements or even how to forage for themselves. "Over a thousand domesticated birds have been forced to fend for themselves in the wild for going on 5 days. We can only imagine how terrified and exhausted they must be and that is assuming that they have survived this long – we cannot justify this amount of suffering in the name of sport," said national inspector Jacques van der Merwe of the NSPCA special projects unit. The environmental impact that this could have if surviving birds join South Africa's growing feral population is also cause for concern – the pigeon is considered an invasive species with a rapid reproduction rate, this is a serious concern for the environment as well as the birds' welfare. The NSPCA remains opposed to animal racing in all forms. **NSPCA press release, 14 February**



The Rustenburg Local Municipality (RLM) has a dispute office where all the disputes will be resolved. ALL the disputes should ONLY be directed or send to the Office of the Municipal Manager.

Procedures to follow when lodging the dispute

Customers are to dispute in writing to the Office of the Municipal Manager stating the following:



NB: Consumers are advised to NOT submit disputes to any other office to avoid the unnecessary delays.

The Office of the Municipal Manager will respond back to the consumer within 21days

The Dispute Officer can be found at Office 23, Ground Floor
Missionary Mpheni House/Rustenburg Municipality
Contact Details: **014 590 3235**

Platinum Stars sold

Rustenburg/ Phokeng – In a statement issued by Platinum Stars on Wednesday, 31 January, chairman Cliff Ramoroa confirmed the transfer of ownership/sale of the club. Apparently, the new owners have vowed to keep the struggling Premier Soccer League (PSL) in Rustenburg. Dikwena has been part of the Royal Bafokeng Nation for the past 10 years.



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